### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Applicant:

Christopher Kempson Shaw et al.

US Application No.: 10/641,350

Filing Date: August 14, 2003

Title: "Subsea Chemical Injection Unit

For Additive Injection and Monitoring System for Oilfield

Operations"

Confirmation No. 9812

Group Art Unit No.: 3672

Attorney Docket: 194-26936-US

# PETITION IN SUPPORT OF APPLICATION FILED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(a) AND FEES UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(h)

This is a petition filed under 37 CFR §1.47(a) for acceptance of a Declaration and Power of Attorney filed by a joint inventor on behalf of a joint inventor who refuses to join in an application for patent or cannot be found or reached after diligent effort, and also in response to the Notice to File Missing Parts mailed November 12, 2003. In this petition, Applicants are submitting the signed declaration and a copy of the November 12, 2003 Notice of Missing Parts as exhibits to their petition. In support of the petition, the following supporting facts are presented:

1. The named inventors of the above-identified application are as follows:

Christopher Kempson Shaw Cindy L. Crow Bill Aeschbacher Sunder Ramachandran Mitch Means Paulo S. Tubel

- A utility patent application was prepared and filed on behalf of the inventors and Baker Petrolite, a Division of Baker Hughes Incorporated, by me, the undersigned attorney with the firm Madan, Mossman & Sriram.
- 3. Upon receipt of a Notice of Missing Requirements from the Patent and Trademark Office, A Declaration and Power of Attorney for Patent Application was forwarded to Penny Pfeffer, Senior Legal Assistant, Baker Petrolite to obtain inventors' signatures on the Declaration.
- 4. The Declaration was sent to each inventor identified in paragraph 1 above and executed declarations were received from all inventors except Mr. Paulo S. Tubel according to the schedule below. The signed document and copy of Notice of Missing Parts are attached as EXHIBIT A.

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#### **Inventor**

Christopher Kempson Shaw Cindy L. Crow Sunder Ramachandran Mitch C. Means William Edward Aeschbacher, Jr.

# **Date of Declaration**

January 20, 2004 December 22, 2003 November 26, 2003 December 4,2003 February 26, 2004

5. Baker Petrolite made several attempts to contact Mr. Tubel to have him sign the Declaration. Baker Petrolite's efforts and results are as follows:

Penny Pfeffer, Senior Legal Assistant for Baker Petrolite, instructed Melissa Ross, Legal Secretary for Baker Petrolite, to obtain executed declaration/power of attorney ("formal document") from the inventors for the above-referenced patent application. Except for Mr. Paulo Tubel, all inventors executed this document by February 26, 2004. With respect to Mr. Tubel, Penny Pfeffer instructed Melissa Ross to contact Mr. Tubel to advise him that they intended to mail the formal document to him for execution. Ms. Ross left at least three or four voice mail messages for Paulo Tubel at his home phone number. Ms. Pfeffer also left one voice message for Mr. Tubel as well. All of these attempts, which briefly explained the mission for the call, took place between January and February 2004. Ms. Pffefer notified Mr. Steve Littlefield. Division Intellectual Property Counsel for Baker Petrolite in March 2004 about the difficulty in contacting Mr. Tubel regarding his execution of the formal documents. On April 30, 2004, Ms. Pfeffer sent the formal documents under the cover of a letter from Mr. Littlefield to Mr. Tubel at his business address, which is, 4800 Research Forest Drive, The Woodlands, TX 77381. It was sent via registered mail, return receipt requested. Ms. Pfeffer received the receipt with a signature other than that of Mr. Tubel dated May 3, 2004. (Copy receipt and cover letter attached as Exhibit B). No response was received.

The above facts are set forth in the Declaration of Ms. Penny Pfeffer, attached as Exhibit C.

- 6. Response to the Notice to File Missing Requirements was originally due on January 12, 2004, and extensions of time appear to be unavailable after May 12, 2004.
- 7. It is evident from the actions of Mr. Tubel to date that further reasonable efforts to obtain his joinder in the application will most likely prove unsuccessful.
- 8. In order to protect the interests of Baker Hughes Incorporated, Petitioner respectfully

requests that the application be accepted on behalf of Mr. Tubel by the signature of all other signing inventors identified in Paragraph 1 above.

- 9. Mr. Tubel's last known home address is: 118 E. Placid Hill, The Woodlands, Texas 77381.
- Mr. Tubel's last known business address is: 4800 Research Forest Drive, The Woodlands, Texas 77381.
- Mr. Tubel's company, Tubel Technologies Incorporated, has a web page listing the paragraph 10 address as the current business address. A copy is attached as Exhibit D.

A fee of \$130.00 is believed to be due for this petition. Applicants have also attached the necessary Petition for Extension of Time, up to and including May 12, 2004. The Commissioner is authorized to charge the \$130 surcharge and \$1,480 four (4) month extension fee to Deposit Account 02-0429 (194-26936-US). The Commissioner is also authorized to charge under payment or credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 02-0429 (194-26936-US).

Date: May 12, 2004

Respectfully submitted

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## **CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 CFR 1.10**

I hereby certify that the foregoing communication, and all documents referred to as enclosed or attached, are being deposited with the United States Postal Service on this 12th day of May, 2004 in an envelope as "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" Mailing Label Number EV369817145US addressed to the M.S. Missing Parts, Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22318-1450.